GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF LAKES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to implement a pilot project for the proper development of major lakes in the country.

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds earmarked for the job, lake-wise; and

(c) the steps taken for the proper conservation and development of each of the major lakes during 9th Plan, year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) to (c) A scheme of National Lake Conservation Plan(NLCP) for conservation of 10urban lakes was formulated in 1997 at an estimated cost of Rs. 637 crore. The lake-wise break up is given as under:-

(Rs. In crores)

1.	Dal	J&K	297.70
2.	Sukhna	Chandigarh	44.36
3.	Sagar	M.P.	4.41
4.	Nainital	U.P.	46.35
5.	Kodaikanal	Tamil Nadu	19.28
6.	Ooty	Tamil Nadu	26.63
7	Udaipur	Rajasthan	148.95
8.	Rabindra Sarovar	West Bengal	2.13
9.	Powai	Maharashtra	31.01
10.	Hussain Sagar	Andhra Pradesh	15.34
	TOTAL	636.16 Or Rs. 637 crores	

Government while considering the proposal directed the Ministry to seek external assistance for the schemes except for Dal Lake which was approved, in principle. A detailed project report for Dal Lake Conservation Plan has been prepared at an estimated cost of Rs. 162.87 crore. Work on this lake is yet to begin. Proposals of 3 small lakes, namely, Powai in Mumbai, Kodaikanal and Ooty in Tamil Nadu have been approved at a total cost of Rs. 14.90 crore in May,2001. The lake-wise break up is: Powai- Rs. 6.62 crore, Kodaikanal-Rs. 6.33 crore, Ooty- Rs. 1.95 crore.A provision of Rs. 10 crore is available for NLCP in 2001-02 out of which an amount of Rs. 9 crore has been released for the above 3 lakes i.e. Powai Lake-Rs. 4crore, Kodaikanal lake-Rs. 4 crore, Ooty lake-Rs. 1 crore.